



BASEBALL CHARTER PRESIDENTS MEETING

MONDAY 14th December 2015 – 7:00pm

DSR Vincent Street Leederville

Attendance:	Perth Metro South Coastal Bay Perth Metro Central Swan Hills	Stuart Tyson Malcolm Gomersall Eugene Perera Neil Hewett	Perth Metro East Southern Hills Perth Metro North West Coast	Justin Miller Lee Miles Ted Dowling Michelle Randall
Staff:	Lachlan Dale David Hayes Caroline Adamson	Baseball WA CEO Little League District Administrator LL Operations Support Manager		

Meeting Opened: 7:00pm

David Hayes welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. The focus on this meeting is on you representing your charters and charter issues.

1. Items Pending from previous meeting

1.1 Tiger Cubs

- Change of dates to 10-16th April 2016. The reason for the date changes is accommodation in Geraldton. PDF form was sent to all CP's.
- Aimed at kids that did not make the State under 16 team. Kids picked in the state Under 16 team not eligible (has nothing to do with State Champs teams).
- 6 player positions from each charter to put forward.
- CP's to forward names to Mitch Williams before the end of January.
- Age U16 and Kids who are picked for State Championship teams are not eligible.
- Liaise with Mitch for any details you need.

1.2 Metro Qualifier

- Confirmed to be played at Willetton
- Confirming that they will be 90 Minute games and to finish by 12pm.
- Date: 12 & 13 March
- Not a seeding Tournament for the SC's. These games are basically Match practice and getting use to the rules.

1.3 Sponsorship Opportunities

- Confirming that BWA does not take 10% of any of the sponsorship or fundraising a charter raises. In the past LLWA have found sponsors for naming rights for a LL charter club ball competition. If charters want to now get a naming rights sponsor for their LL Club ball competition you can sell that yourself, all we ask is 10% of that. So that's where the 10% comes from. Any other type of Sponsorship or fundraising done by the charter is kept by the charter.

- Can't use sponsorship on tops, caps etc. basically can't put sponsorship on anything that goes on the diamond on a game.
 - Look at possible potential conflict of BWA sponsors, Best to check with David Hayes & Lachy Dale.
 - Needs to meet the Health and
 - Health & Sponsorship policy should be on the BWA Website.
- 1.4 Age cut-off in 2017-18 season.
- LLI has announced that in season 2017-18, players who would lose their 12 yo season due to the change of age cut-off will be allowed to stay in LL-majors for both club-ball and tournaments for that season only. This ensure no player misses out on their 12 yo season.
 - 2018-2019 season will re-adjust for the new age groups only.
- 1.5 Restrictions / penalties on Transfer – Final discussion and decision
- For Players who are changing club and not moving residence, to give charters the level of protect for your charter programs to help keep kids from jumping ship
 - After discussion for a three tier system and voted 6 charters for and 2 against:
 - To implement that players are ineligible to play for Charter for 12 months
 - Appeal process:
 - a. Player can appeal to the outgoing charter regarding the ineligibility to play charter for 12 months, and the outgoing charter can make this decision.
 - b. If unhappy with the Charters decision, can appeal to LLDA.
 - A notice needs to be added to the Clearance form for parents to acknowledge the consequences of moving charter without moving residence.
 - Decision needs to go to the BWA board for approval.
2. Junior League State Championships draw
- Random Draw:
1. Perth Metro North
 2. Swan Hills
 3. Perth Metro East
 4. West Coast
 5. Perth Metro South
 6. Perth Metro Central
3. April / Easter Tournaments – any early issues
- Combine Stars – These are the unlucky 12 year old kids who did not make a charter team, give the names to Mitch Williams so he can form these teams.
 - IL Invitational is 13 year olds, played at Easter in conjunction with LLSC. Buddy Charters are:
 - North / West Coast.
 - Swans / East.
 - Central / Southern Hills.
 - South / Coastal Bay.
 - They will also be regional kids who will want to play.
 - 2x Victorian teams confirmed.
 - Queensland – hope they send a team.
 - Overseas teams have been invited.
4. Future Planning 2022

- 11 of our State League Clubs are congregated in a bunch and there are big pockets of the Metro area with no clubs at all. Part of our plan for 2022 we have identified 5 targeted areas where we want to be represented by 2022. Down South, you have Secret Harbour, they have come on board with Machine Pitch and should develop by 2022. We have Byford which is North Murray another area to see what they do as Tee Ball has now restarted. Three targeted areas we want to work at with no clubs, no baseball or tee ball, Jandakot, Ellen brook and Joondalup. Potentially, some clubs might want to look at relocation. If clubs choose not to relocate, then we will be going in and starting clubs in those areas ourselves as we can't not be representing ourselves in such enormous population growth and housing density. Lachy and David have met with councils in these areas to discuss about future facilities for clubs. Also try to spread the State League clubs out.
- Club location – mergers / relocations / creation / state league status. The LL marketing plan, which have been given out, Charters and the BWA program, we've started to implement School based pitch hit and run and machine pitch as two examples, and tiger cubs comes into that as well. The BWA strategic plan membership targets, which you have a copy of and the planning meetings with the clubs is an important part of the process.

5. Other Business

- IL teams playing in the JL competition needs to have some type of rule to not let the scores blow out. Perhaps a 7 runs across the plate?
- Regulations are revised in June of each year, and you need to bring your ideas to it.
- Cal Ripken – team will be sent the same as last year form the Nationals.
- Accounts for Charters – Information from the banks are any two people can open an account and have multiple signatories on it. Probably best to open an account with a club so covered with the incorporated rules. Can open a private account by a person, but will not be covered by the incorporated rules and the person will be liable for any issues.